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# PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT RELATIONS COMMISSION

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October 13, 2015

#### **MINUTES**

The regular meeting of the Public Employment Relations Commission was held at:

10:00 a.m.

PERC Conference Room

112 Henry Street, Suite 300, Olympia, Washington.

# Those present and participating:

Marilyn Glenn Sayan, Chairperson Thomas W. McLane, Commissioner Mark E. Brennan, Commissioner Michael P. Sellars, Executive Director Charity Atchison, Appeals Administrator Joye Rolfer, Confidential Secretary

# MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the previous meeting held September 15, 2015 were adopted as presented.

#### REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

- 1. Mike reported on Teacher Mediations. This has been a very active year. All field staff were assigned teacher mediation cases, including team leaders. The four teacher strikes (Pasco, Kelso, Seattle and South Whidbey) were the most teacher strikes we have had in one year since the three strikes in 1994. The commission expressed their appreciation for the work of the staff.
- 2. Mike reported on the recruitment of new Labor Relations Adjudicator/Mediator (LRAM) positions. We have 3 new staff beginning Friday, October 16. Sean Bratner and Andy Lukes will be working in our Kirkland office and Daniel Comeau will be working in Olympia.
- 3. Mike reported on the hiring of a new team leader in the Olympia office. Steve Irvin will be filling the position vacated when Mark Downing retired. He will begin on Thursday, October 15.



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4. The lease for the Kirkland office is being finalized. It will be getting new paint and carpet and some improved workspace functionality.

5. Mike will be attending the ALRA Executive Board meeting in Philadelphia next week.

# COURT DOCKET

Charity reviewed the pending court cases and offered updated information where available. The monthly Court Docket is available on the agency website.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

There being nothing further to come before the Commission, the public meeting was adjourned.

# **COMMISSION DOCKET**

The Commission went into Executive Session for a discussion on agency public records procedures and deliberation on pending cases before the Commission.

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MICHAEL P. SELLARS

**Executive Director**